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MAJUNGA, MADAGASCAR

At this port there are eight (8) 100 ton steel barges. The cranes on the wharf are of a mobile type on tractor treads, capable of lifting five tons. There are no docks suitable for seagoing vessels.

DIEGO SUAREZ

This port has one dock suitable for large ships. There is also a Navy Drydock used for commercial vessels and which is large enough to accommodate any ROBIN LINE ship.

In addition to dock facilities there are twenty-three (23) lighters capable of lifting following tonnage:

7 lighters	-	80 tons each
4 "		90 " "
5 "		100 " "
6 "		120 " "
1 lighter		130 tons

There are two commercial cranes on the dock; one of 3 tons lifting, and one of 1 1/2 tons.

The Navy Yard has a 15 ton crane, and a 150 ton floating crane, the latter being in a poor state of repair.

TAMATAVE

The stevedores at this port work for the French Government. No private firms are permitted to operate. There are four (4) electric cranes of three ton capacity on the dock. Within the next few months it is expected to have three additional three ton electric cranes.

There are also twenty (20) old lighters which can lift between 40/60 tons, and in about a month there will be ten 100 ton lighters and ten 50 ton lighters added. On the docks there are two fork lift trucks and ten more are being obtained shortly. The port is also equipped with one floating crane which can lift 120 tons.

No cargo is worked at night at this port.

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FORT DAUPHIN

At this port there are only four lighters at present as three others were destroyed a few months ago during a cyclone. Two of the lighters can lift twenty-five tons each and the others ten tons each. Two additional lighters have been ordered and they are expected soon.

On the pier which is suitable for lighters only there is a five ton crane which is in poor condition and probably not capable of lifting over three tons.

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